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# **Annual Reports**

**OF THE**

**TOWN OFFICERS**

**OF THE**

**Town of Meredith,**

**FOR THE**

**YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15,**

**1908.**

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MEREDITH. N. H.

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## **TOWN OFFICERS.**

## **Moderator**

Geo. F. Smith.

## **Town Clerk**

John S. Wadleigh.

## Selectmen

Geo. F. Sanborn, Fred H. Smith John W. Wiggin

### Treasurer

Fred M. Weeks

## **Collector of Taxes**

Bradbury R. Dearborn.

## **Supervisors**

Dudley Leavitt, John H. Collins Edmund Page

## **Representative**

Edmund Quimby

## Auditors

Edmund Quimby      Frederick L. Hawkins

## **Board of Health**

Newell C. Nutting, M. D., Erastus W. Prescott,  
Nathan G. Plummer.

## **Surveyors of Wood and Lumber**

Charles S. Woodman, Nathan G. Plummer, Edmund Page,  
Frank L. Davison, Fred B. Dolloff

## Police

Fayette W. Whitcomb.

## **Town School Board**

Andrew L. Felker, Arthur J. Mead, Joseph F. Smith

## **Board of Education, District No. 5**

Bertram Blaisdell, Chairman; Frederick L. Hawkins, Treasurer;  
Edwin C. Mansfield, Secretary; Ella E. Eaton,  
Edmund Quimby. Cassandra L Hall.

## Public Library Trustees

Fred H. Smith, Chairman; Mrs. Lillian Wadleigh, Secretary;  
Miss Sarah M. Noyes, Aaron S. Clough, Andrew L. Felker.



# **TOWN WARRANT.**

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## **STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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### **To the Inhabitants of Meredith Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs:**

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on the second Tuesday of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To bring in your ballot for Town Clerk, three Selectmen, Treasurer, two Auditors, Collector of Taxes and Police Officer.
2. To choose all other necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of schools, and to defray the expense of outside tuition as required by law.
4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for repairs of highways and bridges, and specify how the same shall be laid out.
5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for town charges.
6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to defray the expenses of Memorial Day.
7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the use of the town library.
8. To see what action the town will take relative to leasing the Town Hall.
9. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of firemen and the protection of property in Meredith Village fire district.
10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the payment of outstanding notes against the town.

11. To see what action the town will take in relation to the new road law, so-called, and if its requirements be adopted, to raise money therefor.

12. To see what action the town will take for the extermination of the browntail and gipsy moths, and raise money therefor.

13. To see if the town will vote to purchase some fire apparatus not to exceed three hundred dollars, said fire apparatus to be placed at Meredith Center, and raise money therefor. By petition.

14. To see if the town will vote to require the Boston & Maine railroad to erect and maintain gates at the highway crossing near the Meredith station. By request.

15. To see what action the town will vote take in regard to repairing the Town Hall, and raise money therefor. By petition.

16. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-second day of February, 1908.

GEORGE F. SANBORN,  
FRED H. SMITH,  
JOHN W. WIGGIN,  
Selectmen of Meredith.

A true copy. Attest:

GEORGE F. SANBORN,  
FRED H. SMITH,  
JOHN W. WIGGIN,  
Selectmen of Meredith.

## INVENTORY.

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Real Estate,	\$724,352 00
Polls, 462,	46,200 00
Horses, 338,	21,092 00
Oxen, 60,	3,272 00
Cows, 539,	12,410 00
Other neat stock, 189,	3,540 00
Sheep, 140,	534 00
Fowls, 250,	100 00
Carriages, 39,	1,630 00
Stock in banks,	3,800 00
Money on hand or on deposit,	7,950 00
Stock in trade,	65,614 00
Mills and machinery,	11,312 00
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	\$901,806 00

## VALUATION.

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Town,	\$901,806 00
Town School District,	494,658 00
School District No. 5,	407,148 00
Village Fire District,	392,332 00

## RATE OF TAXATION.

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Town,	\$1 64
Fire District,	86
School District No. 5,	34
Town School District,	06

## **SELECTMEN'S REPORT.**

<b>THE TOWN OF MEREDITH,</b>	<b>Cr.</b>
By balance reported Feb. 15, 1907,	\$ 780 53
Assessment of state tax,	1,885 00
County tax,	2,535 69
School money,	3,827 50
Highways and bridges,	3,500 00
Highways—state,	451 00
Memorial Day,	100 00
Public Library,	600 00
Fire protection,	480 00
Fire District tax,	3,350 00
School District No. 5 tax,	1,350 00
Town School District tax,	275 00
Outstanding notes,	1,000 00
Stone crusher,	700 00
Overlay by percentage,	321 80
Amount received :	
Insurance tax,	62 25
Railroad tax,	394 66
Savings bank tax,	2,590 20
Literary fund,	179 34
High School tuition,	260 08
Dog licenses,	323 13
Belknap county,	267 80
Proportion of school fund,	326 67
Property sold for taxes redeemed,	130 97

## Amount received :

Interest on taxes,	\$ 17 40
Interest on G. G. Fogg bequest,	36 28
License pool tables,	15 84
Rent of Town Hall, 1906-7,	10 00
Rent of Town Hall, 1907-8,	55 00
License fees,	68 86
Street refuse,	5 50
Justice fines,	19 00
State highway fund,	488 78
Peddler's license.	8 00
Sale of brick,	1 00
Freight on crusher,	93 06
A. A. Kidder, note,	500 00
Balance C. Henry Adams bequest,	7 93
Taxes for 1898,	2 97
Sale of crushed stone,	2 25
Additional taxes,	190 27
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	\$26,713 76

THE TOWN OF MEREDITH,

Dr.

## Appropriations.

Sarah M. Noyes, public library,	\$ 600 00
E. G. Eastman, Memorial Day,	100 00
Climax Road Machine Co., crusher plant,	700 00
D. E. Eaton, fire protection,	480 00

County tax,	\$2,535 69
State tax,	1,885 00
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	\$6,300 69

**School Money.**

Jessie M. Roberts, town district,	\$2,351 21
F. L. Hawkins, District No. 5,	1,652 30
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	\$4,003 51

**School Supplies.**

A. L. Felker, town district,	\$124 22
F. L. Hawkins, District No. 5,	228 55
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	\$352 77

**County Aid to Dependent Soldiers and their Families.**

Paid by order for care and supplies,	\$250 01
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**County Charges.**

Paid by order for care and supplies,	21 79
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**Town Charges.**

Paid by order for supplies,	\$44 77
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**Damage to Sheep by Dogs.**

Freeman G. Smith,	\$ 30 00
W. H. Neal,	60 00
E. F. Wiggin,	12 00
J. M. Neal,	38 00
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	\$140 00

**Use of Watering Troughs.**

M. G. Webster, 1907,	\$ 3 00
N. B. Plummer, 1907,	3 00
E. A. Paul, 1907,	3 00
W. H. Keyser, 1906,	3 00
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	\$ 12 00

**Highway Tax Refunded.**

Moses Bickford, 1907,	\$ 11 50
C. F. Gilman, 1907,	3 60
Lucien C. Kelley, 1907,	6 60
Solomon Lovejoy, 1907,	15 00
Smith & Hoyt, 1907,	9 60
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	\$ 46 30

**Bounty on Brown Tail Moth Nests.**

A. W. James,	\$ 37 41
Selectmen,	55 35
F. L. Blake,	2 00
L. E. Pickering,	12 84
Munson-Whittaker Co.,	42 33
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	\$149 93

## **GENERAL EXPENSES.**

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F. P. Glines, labor on booths,	\$ 2 00
Howard Morrison, labor at Town Hall,	1 05
I. P. Brown, sawdust for Town Hall,	2 10
G. W. Corliss, land damage,	100 00
W. T. Lance, printing ballots, circulars and envelopes,	22 50
E. F. Wiggin, wood for lockup,	2 75
State Industrial School, care Walter Perkins, in full,	19 50
Martin B. Plummer, copying conveyances, 1906,	11 40
Edson C. Eastman, Tax Collector's book,	2 05
W. T. Lance, order books, inventory blanks and tax bills,	14 50
W. T. Lance, newspaper notices,	8 80
W. T. Lance, printing town reports,	94 00
A. H. Shaw, care stranger,	50
A. H. Shaw, use of teams,	6 00
Climax Road Machine Co., interest on note for crusher plant,	33 25
Eliza Corliss, land damage,	100 00
Gilbert Pyun, repairs at Town Hall,	1 50
A. A. Kidder, interest on note,	22 50
W. T. Lance, Board of Health, dog license and bathing notices,	3 25

Climax Road Machine Co., interest on note for crusher plant,	\$ 22 60
Pease & Weeks, supplies for Town Hall and stone crusher,	5 72
D. E. Eaton, interest on note for crusher plant,	7 93
H. L. Wiggin, wood for lock-up,	2 50
J. S. Wadleigh, returning births, marriages and deaths,	20 25
Fred H. Smith, fare to Concord for state tax and cash paid for stamped envelopes,	4 04
P. A. Ellsworth, insurance on lock-up,	4 00
B. R. Dearborn, property purchased for taxes,	91 60
B. Blaisdell, insurance on Town Hall,	24 75
Geo. F. Sanborn, insurance on Town Hall,	24 75
C. A. Cowing, repairs at Town Hall,	7 30
B. R. Dearborn, premium on Collector's bond,	12 50
B. R. Dearborn, error in advertising taxes,	1 65
M. G. Webster, passing through field in winter, 1906-7,	5 00
F. A. Moody, collecting dog licenses,	20 00
M. W. Boynton, carrying mail around old road in District No. 2,	7 00
Gilbert Pynn, repairs on fountains and Town Hall,	10 48
Solomon Lovejoy, boat service to Bear Island,	10 00
J. S. Wadleigh, recording marriages, births and deaths,	13 25
J. S. Wadleigh, copying inventory,	10 00
J. S. Wadleigh, dog license blanks, juror blanks, notifying jurors, stationery,	4 90
Geo. F. Sanborn, cash paid for telegram, stationery, car fare, express and postage,	8 14
E. F. Wiggin, tax refunded—assessed in New Hampton,	6 63
H. L. Wiggin, wood for lock-up,	1 75
I. P. Brown, damage on highway,	2 55
F. L. Hartshorn, two street signs,	1 00

A. R. Connor, ladders, pails, lumber and labor for protection against fire at Meredith Center,	\$ 29 39
Climax Road Machine Co., balance for crusher plant,	700 00
Meredith Village Fire District, expenses firemen at fires outside the district,	13 50
B. Blaisdell, legal services and expenses,	14 52
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	\$1,535 35

#### Town Officers.

Ira C. Boynton, services as Town Clerk, March, 1907,	\$ 2 00
E. W. Prescott, services on Board of Health,	35 00
Edmund Quimby, services as Ballot Clerk, March, 1907,	3 00
Edmund Quimby, services as Auditor, 1907,	2 00
H. D. Morrison, services as Special Police,	5 50
F. B. Pease estate, services as Town Treasurer,	18 23
J. H. Morrison, services as Special Police, 1907,	4 00
Fred H. Smith, services as Selectman,	125 00
Geo. F. Sanborn, services as Selectman,	150 00
John W. Wiggin, services as Selectman,	110 00
J. H. Morrison, services as Special Police, 1906,	8 00
R. S. Moses, services as Special Police, 1905,	4 00
B. R. Dearborn, collecting taxes, 1907,	225 00
F. M. Weeks, services as Town Treasurer and premium on bond,	44 27
F. A. Moody, services as Special Police, 1907,	6 00
F. L. Hawkins, for Board of Education,	60 00
J. S. Wadleigh, services as Town Clerk,	50 00
F. W. Whitecomb, services as Police,	35 00
A. J. Mead, services on Town School Board,	40 00

A. L. Felker, services on Town School Board,	\$ 40 00
J. F. Smith, services on Town School Board,	40 00
B. R. Dearborn, services as Ballot Inspector, March, 1905, March and November, 1906,	
March, 1907,	12 00
A. S. Moulton, services as Ballot Inspector, March and November, 1906, March, 1907,	9 00
Edmund Page, services Special Police, 1907,	4 00
N. G. Plummer, services as Health Officer, 1905- 6-7,	9 00
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	\$1,041 00

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

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### Surveyors of 1906

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Village District,	\$ 86 40
J. F. Philbrick,	37 46
Geo. F. Pickering,	43 80
J. H. Collins,	20 27
S. D. Hinds,	21 97
F. L. Blake,	10 70
Arthur Williams,	10 65
R. P. Brown,	58 13
John H. Colby,	35 93
Alonzo Jenness,	16 17
O. N. Roberts,	127 77
A. L. Felker,	6 00
Elmer F. Perkins,	26 70
M. R. Buzzell,	12 40
J. W. Wiggin,	49 43
Geo. C. Lawrence,	18 71
D. R. Caverly,	25 20
A. J. Mead,	13 85
Henry E. Emery,	34 02
Lewis A. Higgins,	30 98
Mead Boynton,	7 33
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	\$693 87

## Surveyors of 1907.

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DISTRICT No. 1

A. J. MEAD, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER.

A. J. Mead,	\$ 12 05
Clarence Reynolds,	13 75
D. H. Clark,	11 50
Woodbury Davis,	12 00
G. N. Eaton,	11 75
L. C. Kelley,	4 75
C. P. Cushing,	9 00
J. W. Wiggin,	3 75
Isaac Stevens,	3 00
C. S. Bickford,	3 00
Joseph Bickford,	3 00
S. B. Maloon,	3 00
Oliver Bickford,	3 50
H. H. Piper,	75
T. H. Batchelder,	11 40
Chas. Fogg,	4 80
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	\$111 00

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DISTRICT No. 2.

JOHN W. WIGGIN, SURVEYOR.

## SUMMER.

J. W. Wiggin,	\$ 12 75
D. H. Clark,	15 13
H. H. Piper,	15 78
Geo. N. Eaton,	20 25

C. H. Eaton,	\$ 2 00
E. F. Freese,	1 20
Benj. Batchelder,	2 00
Moses Bickford,	7 95
Isaac Stevens,	28 16
D. F. Gilman,	6 75
F. A. Mead,	10 00
Clarence Reynolds,	8 25
C. W. Cummings,	8 27
Harry McNeil,	3 70
R. F. Bickford,	75
Munroe Young,	60
J. M. Eaton,	5 40
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	\$148 94

## WINTER.

J. W. Wiggin,	\$ 1 45
D. F. Gilman,	2 60
B. Batchelder,	30
D. H. Clark,	1 70
E. F. Freese,	45
G. N. Eaton,	1 65
C. H. Eaton,	1 05
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	\$ 9 20

DISTRICT No. 3—5.

O. N. ROBERTS, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER.

O. N. Roberts,	\$ 39 93
B. C. Roberts,	33 90
F. A. Bartlett,	38 90
A. E. Philbrick,	5 00
F. A. Mead,	4 00

Myron Moulton,	\$ 9 60
John Fifield,	4 50
C. H. Berry,	11 25
G. W. Cilley,	75
A. L. Dow,	6 88
Dudley Leavitt,	2 10
C. Rollins,	1 40
A. H. Shaw,	5 20
C. E. Crockett,	5 00
Boy	1 20
W. H. Neal,	12 37
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	\$181 98

## WINTER.

O. N. Roberts,	\$ 1 98
C. E. Davis,	1 30
B. C. Roberts,	3 55
C. H. Berry,	30
Casey,	45
Two Strangers,	60
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	\$8 18

## DISTRICT No. 4.

## G. C. LAWRENCE, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER.

Geo. C. Lawrence,	\$ 10 03
Clifton Bartlett,	1 00
O. N. Roberts,	9 40
A. E. Philbrick,	4 00
F. A. Bartlett,	4 00
Wm. Nichols,	2 15
Chas. E. George,	7 50
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	\$38 08

## DISTRICT No. 6.

## ALONZO JENNESS, SURVEYOR.

## SUMMER.

Alonzo Jenness,	\$ 12 15
Albert Q. Jenness,	6 75
J. H. Jenness, Jr.,	75
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	\$ 19 65

## WINTER.

Alonzo Jenness,	\$ 4 05
Chester A. Jenness,	75
Alonzo Jenness, Jr.,	1 42
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	\$ 6 22

## DISTRICT No. 7

## HOLLIS L. WIGGIN, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER.

Hollis L. Wiggin,	\$ 13 75
E. F. Wiggin,	31 99
J. S. Merrill,	2 25
James A. Sprague,	18 75
Albert Sprague,	15 00
H. E. Wilson,	2 25
Geo. A. Caverly,	2 55
Howard Smith,	3 00
Chas. Jones,	1 50
Geo. Prescott,	60
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	\$ 91 64

## WINTER.

H. L. Wiggin,	\$ 3 50
W. W. Ballard,	1 60
John S. Merrill,	75

James Evans,	\$ 60
E. F. Wiggin,	75
J. A. Sprague,	1 05
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	\$ 8 25

## DISTRICT No. 8.

JOHN M. NEAL, SURVEYOR.

## SUMMER.

J. M. Neal,	\$10 50
O. N. Roberts,	4 00
B. C. Roberts,	2 00
Fred Perkins,	10 50
F. H. Smith,	8 00
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	\$35 00

## WINTER.

J. M. Neal,	\$ 2 00
F. H. Smith,	1 00
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	3 00

## DISTRICT No. 9.

R. P. BROWN, SURVEYOR.

## SUMMER.

R. P. Brown,	\$ 44 80
Charles Pease,	1 95
Earl Brown,	75
O. M. Carr,	2 00
M. C. Brown,	14 85
Norman Corliss,	3 00
N. B. Boynton,	8 00
Ed. Kimball,	3 00
Geo. Brown,	4 00
James Sargent,	4 13
F. G. Smith,	1 50

L. S. Pease,	\$ 1 20
Guy E. Brown,	1 35
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	\$ 90 53

## WINTER

R. P. Brown,	\$ 6 40
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## DISTRICT NG. 9½

## MEAD BOYNTON, SURVEYOR

SUMMER	
Mead Boynton,	\$ 5 55
N. B. Boynton,	4 00
Roy Chase,	4 00
Seth Ranlet,	4 00
N. P. Haynes,	2 45
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	\$20 00

## WINTER

R. P. Brown,	\$ 3 60
Mead Boynton,	1 50
John Smith,	75
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	\$ 5 85

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## DISTRICT No. 10.

## MORTIMER R. BUZZELL, SURVEYOR.

SUMMER	
Clarence Pickering,	\$ 9 70
Eugene Dolloff,	35 93
M. R. Buzzell,	63 77
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	\$109 40

## DISTRICT No. 11

## G. L. MARSTON, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER.

G. L. Marston,	\$43 75
N. B. Boynton,	8 00
Roy Chase,	8 00
G. A. Prim,	1 50
F. L. Blake,	3 00
Frank Taylor,	3 00
I. W. Kimball,	10 50
L. D. Colby,	1 80
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	\$79 55

## DISTRICT No. 11½—12

## N. B. BOYNTON, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER

N. B. Boynton,	\$75 43
J. F. Smith,	14 10
Ed. Kimball,	4 20
Hector Greene,	3 15
Geo. Prim,	5 55
J. Chase,	1 05
Benj. Young,	1 50
Levi Marston,	12 00
Roy Chase,	8 00
Frank Blake,	4 50
Frank Taylor,	7 35
Levander Filgate,	1 50
J. Robinson,	11 10
L. R. Robinson,	14 70
Seth E. Ranlet,	1 35
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	\$165 48

## WINTER

N. B. Boynton,	\$ 5 02
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DISTRICT No 12½

F. L. BLAKE, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER

F. L. Blake,	\$44 93
Joseph Allen,	9 60
G. L. Marston,	8 00
N. B. Boynton,	8 00
L. F. Chase,	8 00
F. S. Taylor,	1 50
Chas. Garland,	3 00
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	\$83 03

## WINTER

F. L. Blake,	\$ 6 90
Joseph Allen,	2 30
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	\$9 20

DISTRICT No. 13

ROY CHASE, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER

N. B. Boynton,	\$12 75
J. F. Smith,	1 75
R. F. Chase,	26 00
Leon Marston,	8 00
E. R. Chase,	8 25
J. L. Russell,	3 00
J. Robinson,	3 00
L. Robinson,	3 00
Chas Kimball,	14 10
L. Kimball,	3 00
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	\$82 85

## DISTRICT No. 17

A. L. FELKER, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER

A. L. Felker,	\$14 50
Peter Nedea,	12 25
Adolph Nedea,	16 00
Inman Merrill,	12 00
E. F. Perkins,	8 00
W. K. Kimball,	12 00
A. J. Swain,	7 87
Albert Pickering,	4 38
Adelbert Smith,	4 37
Cash paid,	2 60
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	\$93 97

## DISTRICT No. 15.

S. D. HINDS, SURVEYOR.

## SUMMER.

S. D. Hinds,	\$16 58
Henry Hall,	5 17
Dana Clark,	2 70
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	\$24 45

## DISTRICT No. 16-17

GEO. F. PICKERING, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER.

G. F. Pickering,	\$34 00
F. E. Pickering,	19 95
Clarence Pickering,	13 39
O. J. Pickering,	18 75
L. E. Pickering,	1 50
N. B. Plummer,	6 40
Lewis Robinson,	5 25
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	\$99 24

## WINTER.

G. F. Pickering,	\$ 4 13
F. E. Pickering,	2 20
C. E. Pickering,	2 20
O. J. Pickering,	2 20
N. B. Plummer,	1 30
F. S. Tyler,	45
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	\$12 48

## DISTRICT No. 18-24

H. E. EMERY, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER

H. E. Emery,	\$16 90
S. D. Moses,	7 50
A. Nedeau,	4 60
N. B. Boynton,	8 00
Jeddo,	4 00
J. Nedeau,	4 00
A. B. Piper,	8 78
Peter Nedeau,	3 00
J. Willet,	3 00
Ed. Kimball,	3 90
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	\$63 68

## WINTER.

H. E. Emery,	\$ 5 60
A. B. Piper,	4 80
A. Nedeau,	80
Peter Nedeau,	30
Fred Maxfield,	1 28
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	\$12 78

## DISTRICT No. 19

## C. V. GOODELL, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER.

C. V. Goodell,	\$46 81
F. M. Chase,	31 45
A. B. Flanders,	10 21
H. O. Merrill,	7 35
N. H. Chase,	10 20
W. E. Smith,	3 75
C. H. Swain,	4 70
W. K. Kimball,	3 50
E. F. Perkins,	3 50
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	\$121 47

## DISTRICT No. 20

## D. R. CAVERLY, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER

D. R. Caverly,	\$19 90
Ned Higgins,	10 00
Nat Drake,	40
O. P. Gilman,	40
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	\$30 70

## DISTRICT No. 21

## JOHN H. COLBY, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER

John H. Colby,	\$45 80
"	31 51
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	\$77 31

## WINTER

John H. Colby,	\$18 67
N. S. Drake,	3 68
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	\$22 35

## DISTRICT No. 22

E. F. PERKINS, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER

E. F. Perkins,	\$24 85
J. H. Merrill,	8 75
Geo. F. Jacobs,	8 00
Fred Peckham,	9 00
B. F. Roberts,	3 25
B. L. Colby,	8 25
A. E. Berry,	3 75
R. W. Ferguson,	1 50
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	\$ 67 35

## WINTER

Elmer F. Perkins,	\$10 10
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## DISTRICT Ng. 23

L. A. HIGGINS, SURVEYOR

## SUMMER.

L. A. Higgins,	\$10 52 -
Ansel Higgins,	8 55
A. L. Felker,	87
Albert Pickering,	88
Bert Smith,	87
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	\$16 69

## VILLAGE DISTRICT.

## SUMMER

Howard Morrison,	\$ 25 94
C. H. Berry,	10 68
D. F. Bean,	21 70

Jane M. Smith, gravel and sand,	\$10 00
Meredith Shook & Lumber Co., bridge plank and rail,	127 85
E. W. Prescott, repairs, sharpening tools, stone and labor,	46 10
F. L. Nicholson, painting road machine, snow plows and railings,	13 61
E. H. Maloon, pipe and labor,	4 40
C. F. Vittum, building shed for crusher plant,	15 00
F. R. Prescott, plank and timber,	46 19
Meredith Shook & Lumber Co., hemlock plank,	1 35
Oscar J. Piper, sharpening drills,	2 20
Geo. F. Pickering, land damage,	25 00
C. W. Cummings, labor and storing crusher plant,	4 80
John Hadlock, road machine repairs,	25 80
J. W. Beede & Co., gravel,	2 80
J. W. Beede & Co., supplies for highways,	28 58
Geo. M. Prescott, sharpening and repairs,	2 05
C. W. Cummings, sand,	15 00
E. H. Maloon, fence posts and drilling,	5 19
G. F. Pickering, labor on new road around Plummer hill,	25 00
Bartlett & Smith, tile pipe,	42 64
W. H. Keyser, building fence for wall removed,	24 00
A. S. Moulton, gate for Bryant road,	3 50
Geo. H. Clark & Co., lumber,	74 20
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	\$874 68

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**HIGHWAY SUMMARY.**

Surveyors of 1906,	\$ 693 87
Surveyors of 1907, summer,	2,287 98
Surveyors of 1907, winter,	192 38
Miscellaneous highways,	874 68
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	\$4,048 91

**STATE HIGHWAY.**

W. W. Ballard,	\$ 5 40
Geo. H. Thurston,	7 00
Chas. Whitney,	50 23
Frank Perry,	40 26
G. R. Maloon,	77 64
Chas. Bennett,	14 88
Oscar Perkins,	52 73
Sidney Gault,	66 84
G. W. Cilley,	56 18
Walter B. Burrell,	63 90
A. W. James,	6 25
J. H. Morrison,	198 50
Clarène Reynolds,	40 73
Grover Constantine,	37 84
Melvin Allen,	18 55
E. W. Felch,	11 38
F. A. Mead,	58 60
A. E. Philbrick,	132 80
F. A. Bartlett,	129 00
James Wright,	25 65
B. F. Williams,	2 63
C. R. Ross,	26 26
H. A. Rowan,	2 50
E. C. Crockett,	88
T. B. Choate,	34 20
B. C. Roberts,	59 60
C. H. Blake,	21 00
C. W. Maloon,	26 00
Frank Denton,	5 08
Geo. W. Berry,	26 25
Geo. Bolton,	15 40
W. D. Clark,	8 76

F. A. Bartlett,	\$35 46
Oscar Perkins,	4 00
Geo. A. Woods,	8 00
G. R. Maloon,	3 38
H. D. Morrison,	1 75
F. E. Clough,	13 13
J. W. Beede & Co.,	4 05
H. E. Batchelder,	5 60
John Hawkins,	90
A. E. Philbrick,	8 00
S. N. Gault,	132 10
W. B. Burrell,	4 00
G. W. Cilley,	2 63
C. W. Maloon,	6 80
J. F. Philbrick,	5 00
B. C. Roberts,	4 00
F. A. Mead,	4 00
J. H. Morrison.	121 27
C. W. Cummings,	6 00
J. C. W. Fifield,	3 22
Geo. Rewson,	1 75
B. F. Williams,	2 63
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	\$435 99

## WINTER.

F. B. Lother,	\$31 75
D. F. Bean,	19 20
C. H. Berry,	4 95
J. Curran,	75
E. C. Crockett,	2 10
M. G. Webster,	1 50
C. A. Allen,	2 00
O. R. Woodman,	1 00
John W. Hawkins,	1 00
C. W. Cummings,	1 30

John McPhee,	\$ 3 90
Herbert Newton,	3 90
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	\$73 35

The larger proportion of the summer expenditure in the village district was laid out in permanent improvement on Plymouth and Lake streets.

#### MISCELLANEOUS HIGHWAYS.

C. C. Whittier, winter road, 1904-5,	\$ 10 00
J. P. Currier, surveying Red Gate Lane,	4 50
W. H. Collins, assisting in surveying Red Gate Lane,	75
E. F. Wiggin, plank,	11 28
E. F. Wiggin, straw for trench,	7 58
J. F. King, repairs and sharpening,	8 21
Geo. H. Clark & Co., bridge plank and other lumber,	109 42
G. F. Pickering, winter road,	5 00
A. B. Flanders, housing road machine two years to May 1, 1907,	5 00
A. H. Shaw, moving crusher,	8 00
Climax Road Machine Co., hard pan plow, oil and repairs for crusher plant,	57 80
W. D. Huse & Sons, steam gauge and tubing,	4 20
J. A. Colburn, hammer handles,	75
Gilbert Pynn, pipe and repairs,	45 22
J. F. King, sharpening and repairs,	5 80
D. F. Caverly, stone curbing,	3 00
Bartlett & Smith, drain pipe,	20 87
G. R. Maloon, labor on engine,	1 35
C. W. Cummings, rental of land for crusher plant,	12 00
J. F. Philbrick, damage to drag,	1 00
Pease & Weeks, tools and supplies,	3 04
E. H. Maloon, repairs for road machine and plows,	4 65

C. E. Merrill,	\$ 45 38
Geo. A. Woods,	168 00
C. H. Berry,	4 50
J. F. Philbrick,	2 00
Bartlett & Smith, pipe, cement, brick and labor,	55 70
E. W. Prescott, stone and labor,	17 37
Geo. M. Prescott, sharpening and repairs,	8 29
C. W. Cummings.	55 82
Mrs. J. H. Evans, board,	34 00
Pease & Weeks, tools,	20 43
Meredith Shook & Lumber Co., oil, belting and lacing,	6 10
J. W. Beede & Co., supplies,	48 33
Aberthew Construction Co., material,	8 56
Frank R. Prescott, coal, lacings and packing,	56 77
C. N. Roberts Co.,	3 00
O. N. Roberts,	30 65
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	\$1,887 82

### RAILROAD AVENUE.

E. W. Avery,	\$ 7 00
Will Cox,	1 60
Wilbur Emery,	1 60
E. E. Simonds,	5 00
Alfred Perkins,	7 00
J. F. King,	5 11
Gilbert Pynn,	4 66
Geo. H. Clark & Co.,	6 52
J. I. Prescott,	124 20
Weeks & Smith,	6 37
N. B. Boynton,	241 62

Thomas Perry,	\$ 10 50
Fred Laflam,	53 88
Archie Durant,	10 50
Frank Taylor,	19 35
R. F. Chase,	94 80
G. A. Prim,	8 90
Arthur Williams,	22 57
W. O. Berry,	41 46
Chester Allen,	16 45
John Edwards,	24 41
Seth Ranlet,	120 60
F. C. Cotton,	46 71
W. D. Darling,	38 09
J. A. Morse,	11 37
F. A. Prescott,	12 40
Henry Lawrence,	7 87
N. D. Morrison,	4 00
H. Howland,	3 50
Melvin Allen,	4 37
F. A. Shaw,	4 50
S. Willey,	8 00
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	\$974 91

### POWERS AND FOLLETT ROAD.

F. A. Mead,	\$184 00
John W. Davis,	32 25
Walter B. Burrell,	16 75
Geo. Clark,	15 75
Sidney Weeks,	1 75
O. Bickford,	1 50

James Jackson,	\$ 7 50
Ira Weeks,	2 00
R. F. Bickford,	2 63
Geo. Prescott,	1 50
Supplies,	10 25
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	\$275 88

## **FIRE, VILLAGE AND TOWN DISTRICTS.**

### **Fire District.**

Daniel E. Eaton, in full, 1898,	\$	1	52
" " 1899,		5	28
" " 1900,		10	38
" " 1907,		3,350	00
		\$3,367 18	

### **Village Schoool District.**

F. L. Hawkins, in full, 1898,	\$	2	69
" " 1899,		34	
" " 1900,		5	91
" " 1902,		12	
" " 1907,		1,350	00
		\$1,359 06	

### **Town School District.**

Jessie M. Roberts, in full, 1898,	\$	77	
" " 1900,		32	
" " 1801,		88	
" " 1902,		29	
" " 1907,		275	00
		\$ 277 21	
		\$5,003 45	

## ABATEMENTS.

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N. G. Plummer,	Town List, 1898,	\$ 1 80
"	Fire District, "	70
" "	Village School, "	27
B. R. Dearborn,	Town List 1900,	3 60
"	Town School, "	28
"	Town List, 1901,	3 28
"	Town List, 1907,	139 40
"	Fire District, "	29 15
"	Town School, "	4 58
"	Village School, "	7 21
		----- \$190 27

For the following reasons:

Rev. G. I. Bard, error,	\$ 1 42
J. H. Plaisted, "	02
Archie L. Lewis, "	04
Geo. K. James, "	7 10
Edmund Page, property not in Fire District,	2 40
E. C. Mansfield, assessed to another,	3 40
Sarah Sayward, soldier act,	3 40
Paul Goodrich, boat in Lakeport,	13 60
Geo. R. Leavitt, error,	2 55
Hattie Moses, "	2 97
Harry C. Francis, boat not in town,	13 60
Benj. Batchelder, over 70,	1 70
R. F. Raymond, error,	2 55
Jesse Griffin, not 21,	2 84
Nellie D. Follett, boat in Lakeport,	11 90
Geo. Brown, not 21,	2 84
Wm. C. Clement, error,	2 12

Harry Haskell, paid in Salem,	\$ 2 84
Arthur Gordon, paid in Lisbon,	1 70
B. M. Smith, not in Fire District,	8 60
Geo. E. Gilman, error,	6 20
B. Blaisdell, property not in Fire District,	3 44
Edwin A. Badger, soldier,	10 20
Mahala Veasey, unable to pay,	5 67
Arthur Fudge, paid in Massachusetts,	2 84
Geo. O. Swain, unable to pay,	1 98
Daniel Jenness, unable to pay,	1 98
Fred Hayward, paid in Northfield,	2 84
E. A. Bryant, boat not in town,	5 95
Guy Foster, paid in Rumney,	2 84
Benj. Young, unable to pay,	1 70
Curt Pickering, unable to pay,	1 70
Mrs. Alice S. Lincoln, error,	10
Wm. Cleeland, out of state,	2 12
Joseph White, not in Fire District,	86
Harold Chase, left town,	2 84
Mrs. Maria Chase, unable to pay,	10 20
Edgar Swain, unable to pay,	1 98
Henry L. Smith, property in New Hampton,	3 40
S. Clement, unable to pay,	2 84
J. S. Prescott, not in Fire District,	86
J. I. Prescott, horses not in Fire District,	3 48
C. B. Sargent, paid in Sanbornton,	2 84
Oscar Batchelder, unable to pay,	1 70
Adelbert A. Smith, error,	9 35
H. J. Shaw, left town,	2 84
Harry Kelley, left town,	2 77
Geo. A. Prim, error,	8 88
Mary L. Houghton,	3 28

\$190 27

## RECAPITULATION.

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By whole amount of receipts,	\$26,713 76
Paid appropriations,	\$6,300 69
School money,	4,003 51
School supplies,	352 77
County aid to dependent soldiers and their families,	250 01
County charges,	21 79
Damage to sheep by dogs,	140 00
Town charges,	44 77
Use of watering troughs,	12 00
Highway tax refunded,	46 30
Bounty on brown tail moths,	149 93
General expenses,	1,535 35
Town officers,	1,041 00
Highways and bridges,	4,048 91
State highway,	1,887 82
Railroad avenue,	974 91
Powers and Follett road,	275 88
Fire, Village and Town Districts,	5,003 45
Abatements,	190 27
	—————\$26,279 36
Leaving a balance of cash in treasury,	\$ 434 40

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We congratulate our taxpayers on the exceptionally good

standing made by the above statement, showing as it does a complete absence of taxes due the town, a condition that has not occurred for many years, if ever in the history of Meredith.

Very Respectfully,

GEORGE F. SANBORN,  
FRED H. SMITH,  
JOHN W. WIGGIN,

Selectmen of Meredith.

## **Financial Condition of the Town, Feb. 15, 1908.**

### **Assets.**

G. G. Fogg trust fund,	\$1,028 00
Due from Belknap County,	4 00
Balance due from E. L. Dexter for rent of Town Hall, 1906-7,	15 00
Cash in treasury,	434 40
	————— \$1,481 40

### **Liabilities.**

School money due Town District,	\$ 137 00
School money due District No. 5,	682 41
Due G. G. Fogg trust fund,	1,028 00
Due Mrs. S. D. Sanborn, note,	1,300 00
Due A. A. Kidder, notes,	1,000 00
	————— \$4,147 41
Liabilities over assets,	\$2,666 01

At the last meeting of the town it was voted to raise \$1000 for the payment of outstanding notes; also a vote was taken to purchase a stone crushing plant, appropriating \$700 for the purpose and issuing town notes for the balance. As we were paying four and one half per cent interest on the outstanding notes and the crusher plant notes were bearing interest at six

per cent, your Selectmen deemed it advisable to pay for the crusher in full, believing that this action would meet with the approval of their townsmen.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. SANBORN,  
FRED H. SMITH,  
JOHN W. WIGGIN,  
Selectmen of Meredith.

We have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

EDMUND QUIMBY,  
F. L. HAWKINS,  
Auditors.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

1907

Feb 15	To cash in treasury,	\$ 689 70
	To cash received of Selectmen,	5,474 98
	John Wadleigh,	323 13
	State License Com-	
	mission,	68 86
	B. R. Dearborn,	
	1907,	\$14,917 90
	B. R. Dearborn,	
	1899-00-01-02,	42 01
		—————\$21,516 58

CR.

Paid S. B. Cole, county tax,	\$2,535 69
Solon Carter, state tax,	1,885 00
Selectmen's orders,	16,661 49
Cash in treasury,	434 40
	—————\$21,516 58

Respectfully submitted,

FRED M. WEEKS,

Treasurer.

We have examined the account of the Treasurer and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

EDMUND QUIMBY,  
F. L. HAWKINS,

Auditors.

## Report of Treasurer of Meredith Public Library.

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To balance March 1, 1907,	\$ 73 83
Received of Town Treasurer,	600 00
Librarian for fines, etc.,	15 00
For books,	8 32
	\$697 15

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Paid Rumford Printing Co.,	\$ 16 37
Meredith Electric Light Co., Mar. 1907 to Feb. 1908,	24 52
C. A. Cowing, services as janitor, Mar. 1, 1907, to Mar. 1, 1908, and cash paid out,	126 32
E. C. Eastman, "Revised Statistics,"	6 00
B. Blaisdell, insurance 3 years,	40 00
Geo. Sanborn, insurance 3 years,	40 00
P. A. Ellsworth, insurance 3 years,	24 37
Librarian, Feb. 1, 1907, to Feb. 1, 1908,	90 00
Old Corner Book Store,	88 65
Record book,	1 60
Gaylord Brothers,	2 75
B. R. Dearborn, water tax,	9 00
Pease & Weeks, 50 ft. hose,	5 00
C. E. Eastman, care of clocks 3 years and batteries furnished,	31 00

Paid G. H. Clark & Co., blocks,	\$ 1 50
G. G. Neal, rebinding books,	17 25
Edmund Page, coal,	61 33
J. F. Philbrick, 1 cord wood,	5 50
Gilbert Pynn, cleaning furnace,	50
Express on books,	90
S. F. Claflin, periodicals,	25 55
Balance on Scribner's magazine,	50
H. W. Metcalf, Granite Monthly 2 years,	2 25
E. W. Houghton, magazines,	80
Geo. F. Sanborn, coal,	8 78
M. R. Buzzell, librarian Meredith Center branch library, Mar. 1907, to Mar. 1908,	12 00
T. M. Mudgett, transporting books,	2 40
R. H. White Co., books,	12 91
Postage,	75
Balance,	38 65
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	\$697 15

SARAH M. NOYES,

Treasurer.

We have examined the account of the Treasurer and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

EDMUND QUIMBY,  
F. L. HAWKINS,

Auditors.

## Report of Trustees of Meredith Public Library.

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An increase in the annual appropriation for the Library has made possible its opening for an additional day, and its extension of hours on regular days, so that it is now open fifteen hours a week, or twice as long as formerly. This arrangement has steadily grown in favor, as the increased circulation over last year testifies.

Books are sent monthly to Meredith Center, where there are twenty-two different patrons.

When the Major E. E. Bedee legacy becomes available it will be possible to add substantially to departments of the library which are now weak, and it is hoped that many needed improvements may be made in different directions. The generosity which provided for this gift will be a source of profit and pleasure to readers for all time and cannot be too highly praised and appreciated.

Other friends have remembered the library in various ways. Mrs. H. R. Erskine replaced the photograph of the late Rev. J. S. Erskine by a much finer one. Mrs. Eva Rand presented a handsome bird, finely mounted and protected by a glass case, with table. Mrs. Anna Pratt and Mrs. Wm. Walker each gave a good book. The circulation of books for the year is 8,876.

Eighteen volumes have been presented to the library and one hundred and twenty-four books have been added by purchase.

Respectfully Submitted,

F. H. Smith, Pres.,  
Sarah M. Noyes, Treas.,  
Lillian Wadleigh, Sec.,  
Aaron S. Clough,  
Andrew L. Felker.

## REPORT OF TOWN SCHOOL BOARD.

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To the Selectmen of the Town of Meredith :

We hereby submit to you our annual report for the year ending February 15, 1908 :

Eight schools have been maintained by the District and the following teachers have been employed :

No. 2, Mary E. Pike and Timothy McCarty.

No. 3 and 4, Lettie B. Mead.

No. 6, Timothy McCarty and Barbara E. Smith.

No. 8, Ada B. Burleigh.

No. 9 and 10, Anna M. Hopkins.

No. 11, Mary E. Smith and Rachel G. Smart.

No. 13, Ruth M. Flanders.

No. 16 and 17, Stella Thomas.

We are glad to report that we have been able to lengthen the school year to thirty weeks, and we hope this will prove to be a precedent and that the district will provide the means whereby the schools may be run on a thirty week basis in the future.

In accordance with the vote passed at the last annual school meeting, providing a supervisory district, your school board have united this district with Meredith Special, Ashland Special, and the town of Holderness, and have secured the services of Mr. Samuel A. Burleigh as superintendent.

Mr. Burleigh comes to us very highly recommended, being a graduate of Colby University and having had eleven years'

experience as teacher and superintendent. In the opinion of the board, the district is fortunate in securing a man who so thoroughly understands his business.

It is obvious that in the short time he has been with us it is impossible to note great improvements, yet one can see that a good foundation has been laid, and with the co-operation of the teachers which has been given, there is no reason why our schools in a short time will not rank with other schools in the state that enjoy the benefits of expert supervision.

Considering the shortage in the teaching force in the state, it is fast becoming a great problem to find a sufficient number of good teachers for the schools at the price we are now paying, \$7.00 per week.

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#### **Financial Statement.**

Orders drawn by the School Board and paid by the district :

Teachers' salaries,	\$1,842 40
Superintendent's salary,	226 67
Repairs,	280 37
Conveying pupils,	146 88
Tuition under high school law,	551 17
Town school library,	50 00
School house supplies,	149 62
Collecting taxes, B. R. Dearborn,	6 88
Town of Sanbornton, tuition for Cora Merrill,	6 00

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Average cost per pupil attending school in the district,	\$19 97
Average cost per pupil attending high schools and academies,	28 50

**TUITION PAID UNDER HIGH SCHOOL LAW.****Meredith High School.**

Frank Hartshorn,	\$ 36 75
Chas. Raymond,	36 75
Alice Ballard,	26 25
Ethel M. Meserve,	26 25
Earl Brown,	10 50
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	\$136 50

**Tilton Seminary.**

Frank Ballard,	\$ 40 00
Alice Ballard,	26 67
Ethel M. Meserve,	26 67
Mary Bickford,	26 66
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	\$120 00

**New Hampton Literary Institution.**

Eugene D. Dolloff,	\$ 40 00
Frederick Smith,	40 00
R. W. Smith,	40 00
Florence Allen,	40 00
Iva Eastman,	40 00
Stella Pickering,	26 67
Barbara Smith,	13 34
C. Hope Lincoln,	13 33
Wm. Murray,	13 33
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	\$266 67

**Colby Academy.**

Edith Smith,	\$28 00
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**ROLL OF HONOR.****Spring Term.**

School No. 2: Maud Moulton, G. Leroy Moulton, Vernard C. Moulton, Lewis R. Moulton, C. Edwin Roberts.

School No. 3-4: Florence L. Bartlett, Lydia B. Bartlett, John C. Bartlett, Alice M. McIntire.

School No. 6: Mary S. Swain, Althea Sprague, Charles H. Evans.

Center School: John Boynton, Clyde L. Kimball, Esther L. Wallace, Marion E. Kimball.

School No. 11: Viola M. Blake, Ida L. Allen, Eleanor E. Blake, Maurice P. Smith.

School No. 13: Bertha A. Moses, Raymond Pickering, Agnes J. Nadeau, Hilda J. Nadeau.

**Fall Term.**

School No. 2: E. Leon Cushing, Maud C. Moulton, G. Leroy Moulton, Vernard C. Moulton, Lewis R. Moulton.

School No. 6: Althea Sprague.

Center School: John M. Boynton, George W. Smith.

School No. 13: Raymond V. Pickering.

School No. 16 and 17: Cora L. Merrill, Chester B. Higgins, Ansel B. Higgins.

**Winter Term.**

School No. 2: C. Edwin Roberts, Lewis R. Moulton, Vernard C. Moulton, Blanche M. Davis.

School No. 6: Althea Sprague, Eugene Hutchins.

Center School: John M. Boynton.

School No. 11: Maurice P. Smith.

School No. 13. Raymond V. Pickering.

School No. 15 and 16: Chester B. Higgins, Ansel B. Higgins, Harold P. Felker, Louis K. Felker, Cora L. Merrill, Ida F. Jones.

JOSEPH F. SMITH,  
ANDREW L. FELKER,  
ARTHUR J. MEAD,

Town School Board.

## Report of Special School District.

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To the Selectmen of the town of Meredith :

The Board of Education of the Special School District No. 5 respectfully submit the following report :

Under the direction of the Superintendent, the schools are doing more and better work this year than ever before.

It will perhaps be advisable to withhold promotion from some entire grades this year in order to raise the standard to that of good schools elsewhere.

Too many grades in the primary room and consequent lack of sufficient individual instruction for pupils who cannot be expected to do much work without the teacher's constant oversight, is a serious mistake. By closer correlation of studies, elimination of the unpractical and doing more thorough work, we shall be enabled to do away with the ninth grade. This will give two grades in the primary and three in each of the next two rooms.

English and arithmetic are given much more time than any other studies and yet the schools are justly criticized because many young people complete the work of the grades without acquiring the ability to write the letters or solve the problems of ordinary business.

The recognition of a fault is the first step necessary to its correction. A word follows concerning the remedy being applied by the superintendent :

First, Reading—intelligent thought inspiring reading—is made the important study of the lower grades by methods that will make pupils self reliant and independent. The judicious

use of supplementary reading leads up to the studies of history and geography in such manner as to enhance the child's interest and power to master those subjects in the briefest possible time.

The correlation of the different studies so that reading, writing, spelling, history, geography, etc., shall continually supplement one another not only saves time but produces better results.

The absolute mastery of the essentials of arithmetic in the lower grades, so that pupils are able to perform the fundamental processes—addition, multiplication, etc., without waste of time and thought, will save an incalculable amount of time and will enable them to concentrate the attention on the difficult phases of the problems in hand.

The teachers this year are working faithfully and efficiently. Several years of such work will give the Meredith schools a high standing and become an incentive of no little importance in bringing desirable citizens to our town. The high school, under Mr. Royal P. Richardson, is doing excellent work. Here, perhaps, more than elsewhere, we see the evil effects of inefficiency last year.

### **ATTENDANCE.**

#### **Primary Grades, Mrs. E. Quimby :**

Attendance	Spring	Fall	Winter
Boys,	17	23	20
Girls,	27	29	25
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	44	52	45
Visitors,	44	29	33
Perfect attendance,	20	8	

## Intermediate grades, Miss M. Estes:

	Spring	Fall	Winter
Attendance,			
Boys,	22	21	18
Girls,	19	28	28
	—	—	—
	41	49	46
Visitors,	17	44	
Perfect attendance,	21	14	

## Grammar Grades, Miss S. G. Watson:

	Spring	Fall	Winter
Attendance			
Boys,	17	16	16
Girls,	18	12	12
	—	—	—
	35	28	28
Visitors,	9	9	11
Perfect attendance,	16	7	

## High School, R. P. Richardson:

	Spring	Fall	Winter
Attendance			
Boys,	6	11	11
Girls,	12	9	9
	—	—	—
	18	20	20
Visitors,	7	9	
Perfect attendance,	6	2	

## Average Ages.

I Grade 5.9; II 10.8; III 8.9; IV 9.6; V 11.7;  
VI 12.7; VII 12.9; VIII 12.11; IX 14.1.

### SUPERVISION.

Soon after the last annual meeting the District united with the Town District, Ashland Special and Holderness Districts to form a supervisory district. We believe the result has been beneficial.

It is evident that a professional superintendent, giving his whole time and attention to the business of school management, can attend to the work better than members of the school board, who are busy about their own affairs and for a nominal salary can give only odd times to visiting schools and attempting to direct the work. The responsibility has been so divided and the teachers left so much to their own devices that uniform and substantial progress has not always been made and cannot be expected under such conditions.

We consider the district fortunate in securing for Superintendent Mr. Samuel A. Burleigh, who has had ample experience in this line of work. He has proved to be a man of sound practical judgment, who has not insisted on radical changes so much as constant improvement.

Through his efforts we believe better work is being done by both teachers and scholars, and the additional expense to the district is small in comparison to the benefits derived from the expenditure,

BERTRAM BLAISDELL, Chairman,  
F. L. HAWKINS, Treasurer,  
EDWIN C. MANSFIELD, Secretary,  
ELLA E. EATON,  
EDMUND QUIMBY,  
CASSANDRA L. HALL,

School Board.



# **Vital Statistics.**

**Births Registered in the Town of Meredith for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.**

Date of Birth.	Name of child (if any.)	Living or Stillborn.	Color. No. of Children, 1, 2, etc.	Father's Name.	Mother's Maiden Name.	Color.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Mother		Age of Father		
											Color.	Residence of Mother.	Occupation of Mother.	Birthplace of Mother.	
Jan. 7	Paul Albion	Living	3d	Fred M. Weeks	Lucy J. McCrillis	Merchant	Warren	Farmer	Boston, Mass	Boston, Mass	31	32			
Jan. 28	Elmer White	"	1st	Clarence E. Jennes	Edith M. White	Lynn, Mass.	Chester, Vt.	Plumber	Manchester	Sharon, Vt.	20	23			
Mar. 17	John Everett	"	1st	Harry B. Batchelder	Mary McManus	Plumber	Manchester	Mill hand	Plymouth	Woolwich Me.	22	22			
Apr. 9	Henry J.	"	3d	Ira F. Blaisdell	Sa-rie F. Smith	Mill hand	Sharon, Vt.	Carpenter	Monitoboro	Springfield	40	44			
Apr. 10	Gladys L.	"	1st	Harry B. Dickinson	Lula B. Plummer	Carpenter	Woolwich Me.	Barber	Cornish	Cornish	34	24			
May 18	Marshall W.	"	2d	Warren Heath	May S. Judd	Barber	Springfield	Barber	Calais, Me.	Calais, Me.	33	25			
May 20	Ralph N. Piper	"	1st	Ralph N. Piper	Lydia L. Bonney	Merchandise	W. Topsham	W. Topsham	Plattsburg, N.Y.	Plattsburg, N.Y.	25	30			
July 4	Nelson Bonney	"	2d	Albert M. Avery	Mabel M. Lobbell	Stone mason	Vermont	Holderness	Meredith	Meredith	39	22			
July 17	Beatrice May	"	2d	Thomas H. Batchelder	Mamie G. Files	Mill hand	Holderness	Mill hand	Littleton	Littleton	32	26			
July 23	Albert Louis	"	3d	Joseph LeMay	Elizabeth F. Clark	Mill hand	Holderness	Mill oper'tive	Holderness	Holderness	24	19			
July 31	"	"	1st	Charles R. Jones	Frances L. Dexter	Farmer	Newton, Mass.	Farmer	Newton, Mass.	Newton, Mass.	24	24			
Aug. 13	Edward Davis	Stillborn	1st	Edward Davis	Laura A. Moulton	Mill oper'tive	P.E. Island	Mill oper'tive	P.E. Island	P.E. Island	25	22			
Aug. 16	Frank F. Perry	Living	1st	Frank F. Perry	Mabel Bordreau	Plumber	Warren	Plumber	Warren	Warren	29	21			
Aug. 20	Arthur W.	Stillborn	1st	Geo. W. Bartlett	Annie I. McIntire	Plumber	Ctr Harbor	Plumber	Ctr Harbor	Ctr Harbor	50	31			
Aug. 21	Kenneth Ward	Living	13	George Perkins	Annie Clark	Laborer	Iaconia	Board sawyer	St. John, N.B.	Iaconia	Merchandise	34	26		
Aug. 26	"	"	2d	Wilted W. Lamb	Daisy Failes	Board sawyer	St. John, N.B.	Con. Elec. Car	New York C.	Rumney	Rumney	26	26		
Sept. 26	Charles Leaor	"	3d	Charles Leaor	Ethel B. Rich	Farmer	Laconia	Farmer	Laconia	Lowell, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.	26	24		
Oct. 4	Lero D. Colby	"	2d	Lero D. Colby	Mildred E. Allen	Farmer	Barrington	Farmer	Barrington	Barrington	29	28			
Nov. 1	Andrew L. Felker	"	3d	Andrew L. Felker	Eva S. Perkins	Carpenter	Meredith	Carpenter	Meredith	Meredith	38	36			
Nov. 16	Charles R.	"	2d	Roy F. Bickford	Lenaora M. Brown	Teamster	Gifford	Teamster	Thornton	Gifford	31	29			
Dec. 10	Marshall J.	"	3d	Joseph M. Willey	Edith M. Sanborn	Teamster	Cambridge	Teamster	Cambridge	Cambridge	35	31			
Dec. 11	Mary F.	"	"	Charles H. Blake	Mary J. Walls	Stone mason	Ireland	Stone mason	Meredith	Ireland	29	27			

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JOHN S. WADLEIGH, Town Clerk.

**Marriages Registered in the Town of Meredith for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.**

Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	No. times mar'd.	Place of Birth.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Names of parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation of Parents.	Name and residence of person by whom married.
Color of Each									
Age in Years									
Jan. 5	Timothy Foote Laura Chase	Lakeport Meredith	22 19	Laborer Housewife	1st Meredith	Mitchell Foote Bessie Fahey Fred Chase	Canada Ireland Ashland	Stone mason Housewife	Rev. E. B. Tetley
Feb. 11	Hasting Fogg	"	31	Farmer	1st	Moultonboro Josiah F. Fogg	Housewife	Farmer	Meredith
	Mary Plant	Canada	36	Housewife	3d	Ambrose Plant	Moultonboro Stone in ason	Housewife	Rev. Nathaniel L. Colby
Mar. 21	Harry B. Dickinson	Meredith	34	Carpenter	2d	So. Boston	Canada	Farmer	Manchester
Apr. 25	James M. Carder	"	24	Housewife	1st	Meredith	Mary Neudean Bradford Dickinson	Housewife	Rev. Geo. A. Williams
	Lulu B. Plummer	"	19	Moulder	1st	Waterford, Vt.	Wenham, Ms. Lney M. Paine	Retired	Meredith
	Alice V. Clark	Glover, Vt.	20	Nurse	1st	Glover, Vt.	Tuftsboro Almon D. Plummer	Ms. Housewife	Rev. Joshua M. Frost
May 28	Harry C. Prescott	Meredith	21	Painter	1st	Meredith	Julia E. Loveloy John M. Carder	Farmer	St. Johnsbury, Vt.
	Maud R. Herbert	"	19	Housewife	1st	"	Mary B. Mitchell Ezra L. Clark	Housewife	Rev. G. I. Bard
July 2	James G. Bryer	Lynn	35	Musician	2d	Lynn	Amelia Skinner Wm F. Prescott	Farmer	Meredith
	Helen A. Mooney	Boston	27	Waitress	1st	Laconia	Jennie Bennett E. C. Herbert	Policeman	Rev. G. I. Bard
							Lizzie Herbert George H. Bryer Emma J. Dupar Patrick Mconey	Housewife	Meredith
							Grace Conigan	Farmer	
								Housewife	

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Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Color of Each Age in Years	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	No. times mar'd.	Place of Birth.	Names of parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation * of Parents.	Name and residence of person by whom mar- ried.	
July 6	John D. Blake	Meredith	26	Laborer	1st	Meredith	William W. Blake	New York	Laborer	Rev. E. B. Tetley	
	Isabel Bryou	"	16	Housekeeper	1st	Georgeville PQ	Sarah Jenness	Meredith Canada	Housewife Carpenter	Meredith	
July 12	Arthur E. Philbrick	"	22	Teamster	1st	Meredith	Charles Eryou	"	Housewife Farmer	Rev. E. B. Tetley,	
	Stella M. Hickok	"	20	Mill operative	1st	Sandwich	Mary Lafow	J. F. Philbrick	Teamster	Meredith	
July 24	Perley Beach	Franklin	25	Surveyor	2d	Montpelier Vt	Martha F. Emmons	Bristol Topsham	Silver plater	Rev. Oren N. Bean	
	Viola Harvey	Meredith	18	Housekeeper	1st	Conidge, Neb.	Bert Harvey	Sandwich Montpelier Stow, Vt.	Housewife Mill man	Meredith	
Aug. 6	George W. Chase	"	22	Hostler	1st	E. Parsonsfield	Esther Powers	Canaan Wisconsin	Housewife Farmer	Rev. G. I. Bard	
	Flora M. Beede	Moultonboro	19	Housewife	1st	Moultonboro	Wells Chase	E. Parsonsfield Ada J. Haldock	Housewife Truckman	Meredith	
Aug. 7	Natt S. Drake	Meredith	22	Farmer	1st	Northfield	Daniel Q. Beede	Bethel Knowles	Worcester Moultonboro New Hamp'n	Housewife Farmer	Rev. Edwin C. Goodwin
	Grace A. Fitzgerald	Sanbornton	31	Housekeeper	2d	Boston, Mass	Simeon C. Drake	Fannie Huse	Sanbornton Boston	Housewife Hat Bleacher	Sanbornton
Aug. 14	Royal F. Chase	Meredith	29	Farmer	1st	Meredith	Francis E. Guild	Adeelaide Coville	"	Meredith	
	Myrtle E. Strickland	"	19	Housekeeper	1st	Newport	Ezra R. Chase	Sadie J. Webster	Manchester Newport	Housewife Painter	Rev. G. I. Bard
							Laura A. Pond		Meredith		

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		Color of Each Age in Years		Ctr	21	Laborer	Canada	Canada	Rev. G. I. Bard, Meredith
Sept. 30	Willie H. Eryou	Meredith	Laconia	21	Housewife	1st	Meredith	Housewife	Meredith
	Maids Smith			31	Salesman	1st	Bath	Housewife	Boston, Mass
Oct.	20	E. Carleton Mansfield	Meredith	"	Saleslady	1st	St. Johns	Housewife	Bath
	Helen W. Pynn			24	White	1st	Gilbert, Lynn	Plumber	St. Johns, N.Y.
Noy.	4	Bernard E. Blair	"	21	Farmer	1st	Springfield	Housewife	London, Eng.
	Eleanor McWilliams			22	Weaver	1st	Edwin R. Blair	Fanner	N. Sterling, Ct.
Noy.	6	Bertrand N. Files	"	29	Mill oper'tive	1st	Rosa Part	Springfield, Vt.	Edwin R. Blair
	Nina E. Brown			21	Milliner	1st	Montreal, P.Q.	Housewife	Montreal, P.Q.
Dec.	25	Charles E. Dow	Ctr Harbor	"	Engineer	1st	Arch'd McWilliams	Boss Carder	Arch'd McWilliams
	Myrtle L. Bickford		Meredith	26	Teacher	1st	Ella J. McWilliams	Housewife	Elijah Williams
							James A. Files	Teamster	Elijah Williams
							Nettie Dockham	Housewife	Raymond, Me
							Hannibal Brown	Engineer	Meredithe
							Edith P. Wright	Swanton, Vt.	Vershire, Vt.
							Charles H. Dow	Gillard	Gillard
							Anna M. Fogg	Boatman	Dow
							Moses F. Bickford	Housewife	Meredith
							Anna Bickford	Farm'r	Meredith
								Housewife	Meredith

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**Deaths Registered in the Town of Meredith for the Year Ending December 31, 1907.**

Date of Death.	Name.	Age	Place of Birth.	Occupation	Cause of Death.	Sex.		Name of Father.	Name of Mother.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
						Days. Mo.	Years.				
Jan. 3	Lizzie A. Cox	72	1 Holderness	Housewife	General debility	F	M	John Huntress	Nancy B. Bryant	Sandwich	Sandwich
Jan. 8	Joseph Clark	68	4 M : eredith	Farmer	Heart disease	M	M	Thomas Clark	Annette Avery	Rumney	Ireland
Jan. 9	Nancy E. Davis	34	6	Aucherter nat'm	Acuterter nat'm	F	M	Joseph Clark	M. Carnaght	Wentworth	Wentworth
Jan. 11	Elizabeth Niles	66	25	Belfast, Ire-	Nephritis	F	M	James F. Colburn	Eunice Smart	Meredith	Meredith
Jan. 16	James M. Colburn	71	4	Wentworth	Old Age	M	M	Nathaniel Chase	Sarah Dolloff	New Hamp'n	New Hamp'n
Jan. 19	A. J. Chase	75	7	Meredith	Paralysis	M	M	Eliza Farmham	Hannah Mudgett	New Hamp'n	New Hamp'n
Jan. 20	Eliza A. Robbins	82	6	Housewife	Old age	F	M	Benj. Smith	Billy Whitten	Kilburn	Kilburn
Jan. 23	Nancy M. Hockins	79	4	New Hampton	"	F	M	Alli White	Francis Sinclair	Meredith	Meredith
Jan. 25	Emily A. Eaton	82	2	Housewife	Bronchitis	F	M	Frank Tuttle	Lizzie Smith	Moultonboro	Moultonboro
Jan. 30	Eva K. Libby	95	7	Mt. Holly, Vt	Indigestion	M	M	John Baichelder	Mary J. Blake	Canaan	Canaan
Feb. 19	Carl O. Tuttle	66	11	Meredith	Blood poison	F	M	James Simonds	Mary Shoats	"	"
Feb. 23	Ida B. Moulton	49	21	Campton	Shock	M	M	Joseph Prescott	Jesse Dolloff	Bristol	Bristol
Mar. 11	James M. Simonds	64	8	Alexandria	Heart failure	F	M	M	J. F. Philbrick	sandwich	sandwich
Apr. 2	Elizabeth P. Lang	60	5	Meredith	Paralysis	M	M	M	David S. Rowe	M	M
Apr. 7	Alanson D. Diloff	74	11	Lang	"	M	S	M	Mary Glines	"	"
Apr. 7	Ralph S. Philbrick	19	9	Sundwich	Tuberculosis	M	M	S	Susan Tappan	Sandwich	Sandwich
Apr. 10	Daniel E. Rowe	67	9	Farmer	Appendicitis	M	M	M	Martha Emmons	"	"
Apr. 3	Sally Saibor	83	10	Holderness	Chronic gastritis	F	M	W	Daniel Prescott	M	M

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Nov. 13	Annette Sanborn	59	2 Ctr Harbor	House wife	Mitral regurgit'n	F	William I. Perkins	Martha J. Cram	Holderness	Ctr Harbor	
Nov. 15	Carrie B. Wiggin	49	9 Ctr Harbor	House wife	Killed by r. train	F	Franklin Canney	Laura Russell	Ctr Harbor	Meredith	
Nov. 23	Lydia J. Jennis	53	2 Rumney	House wife	Chronic gastritis	F	Joshua Jennis		Meredith	London	
Dec. 12	Mary Batchelder	69	5 Ctr Harbor	House wife	Chronic asthma	F	John Batchelder	Mary Sanborn	Pittsfield	S. Coventry Ct	
Dec. 19	Carlos Edgerton	55	3 Coventry Ct	Laborer	Heart failure	M	Oliver Edgerton	Lucy Brown	Brentwood	Brentwood	
Dec. 27	Nancy T. Bean	73	6 Fremont	House wife	Dilated heart	F	Israel Tuck	Rachel Tuck			

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